

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the paragraph on page 2, line 28 through page 3, line 7 with the following amended paragraph:

Another trimer catalyst system is disclosed in U.S. Patents ~~5,955,608~~ 5,955,609 and 6,127,308. This trimer catalyst system is also suitable for both aliphatic and aromatic isocyanates. This system comprises (A) one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of (i) lithium salts of aliphatic or aromatic carboxylic acids, (ii) lithium salts of hydroxyl group containing compounds where the hydroxyl group is attached to an aromatic ring and (iii) lithium hydroxide; (B) an allophanate catalyst; and (C) an organic compound containing at least one hydroxyl group. The partially trimerized isocyanates may also contain allophanate groups and/or urethane groups.